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Mr. James D. Campbell
Virginia Association of Counties
1001 East Broad Street, Suite LL-20
Richmond, Virginia 23219

Dear Mr. Campbell:

Pursuant to House Bill 2373, the 2003 General Assembly amended and added §15.2-1503.1, Code of Virginia. This change provides for counties or cities to enact an ordinance so they can obtain a national criminal history record search for certain employees and licensees.

The Department of State Police received approval from the FBI that the aforementioned Code Section will meet the mandate of Public Law 92-544. However, prior to obtaining a record search, each county or city desiring to obtain a national criminal record search must submit a copy of their ordinance to the FBI, though the Central Criminal Records Exchange for approval.

Your assistance is requested in notifying counties and cities who desire to enact such an ordinance to include the attached FBI suggested language. If this language does not appear in the ordinance, the FBI has indicated it will not meet the mandate of Public Law 92-544.

Any questions concerning this matter should be directed to Lieutenant Thomas W. Turner, Criminal Justice Information Services Division, at 804-323-2001.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "W. K. Paul, Jr." with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Attachment